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Washington, D.C.-- Today, Congressman Sires announced that he will serve as a member of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee in the 112th Congress. As a member of the Committee, he will also serve on the Highways and Transit Subcommittee and Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials Subcommittee. Sires has been a member of the Committee since 2008.

"I am excited to continue my work on the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee. This Committee will give me the ability to best serve my constituents. The transportation needs in New Jersey and particularly in the 13th Congressional District are great," said Congressman Sires. "At a time when traffic is getting worse and studies show that congestion cost Americans \$115 billion in 2009, it is imperative that Congress pass a long-term comprehensive transportation bill."

The House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee has jurisdiction over all modes of transportation including aviation, bridges, highways, maritime transportation, mass transit, and railroads. Additionally, the Committee has jurisdiction over matters relating to oil spill laws,

economic development for economically distressed areas, transportation of hazardous materials, environmental restoration, and projects for flood control.

“I am eager to work with my colleagues on the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee to provide all Americans with better transportation infrastructure that is safer and provides them with more options,” said Sires. “Transportation touches every facet of our lives and investing in transportation will create jobs and stimulate the economy.”

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